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Invention:

**SEAL RETAINER WITH PRESSURE ENERGIZED METAL SEAL MEMBERS
FOR UNDERSEA HYDRAULIC COUPLING**

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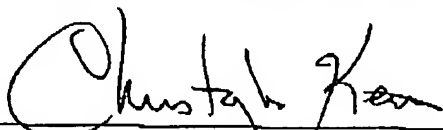
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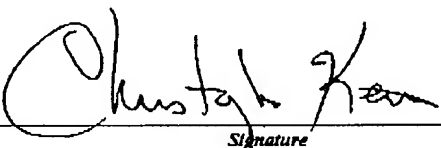
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